

R. Edgar's COLUMN

Labor Day Was a Great Day for Champions in Tennis, Boxing and Baseball.

YESTERDAY was a great day for champions. In the tennis world, Johnstone, tennis champion, easily defeated his title against Murray, considered a formidable rival since his defeat of Church. Freddy Welsh, lightweight boxing champion, took the decision at the end of his twenty round bout with Charlie White, winning "on points." Featherweight champion Johnny Kilbane knocked out George Chaney in three rounds at Cleveland. The Phillies pulled up even with Brooklyn, although Boston, went to small fraction of a game ahead of both of them. Jess Willard had a successful day with the circus.

JOHNSTONE'S playing was a surprise to thousands of tennis enthusiasts who traveled to Forest Hills to see him in action. In the form he showed yesterday Johnstone was the equal of the great McLaughlin when, at the top of his game, he defeated Widding and Brooks. The world famous "comeback" champion in speed, but never showed the marvelous judgment of the present champion in placing the ball.

Champion Johnstone didn't waste an ounce of energy in the three sets, but he made Murray run himself ragged. In the first set Johnstone placed his returns so that Murray was forced to keep on the jump. He did this even when he could have made a simple return with perfect safety. The result of this showed in the second set, when Murray was done to a turn, and Johnstone was as cool and fresh as at the start.

His little, but the present tennis champion will "take a lot of beating" when he meets R. Norris Williams to-day in the final match. Williams was at his best in beating Griffin, which promises a hard struggle for the title.

It was nearly a foregone conclusion, as pointed out in this column yesterday, that if the Welsh-White fight went twenty rounds Welsh would get the decision. White's only chance was a surprise knockout. And the fact that he couldn't do it in twenty rounds eliminates him for the present as a possible champion.

Welsh is a good long distance fighter. He always had great endurance, and he is remarkable among fighters in the way he has retained this important factor through many years in the ring.

Welsh's next opponent may be Benny Leonard. Benny's record amounts to nothing at all, except that he has knocked out Mandot and has given Welsh two hard ten-round fights. He hasn't fought for decisions and he hasn't fought even one long fight in his life, so no one knows just how well he can stand the pace over a distance. But he has shown speed even superior to that of Welsh in short bouts, and with his youth, good habits and natural fighting ability he should be better than a twenty-round fighter than in the ten-round class. Leonard has no great record to entitle him to a fight with Welsh, but no doubt he would draw well with the champion.

A fighter with a better claim to a championship fight is Johnny Dundee, but Welsh hasn't shown any remarkable eagerness to take him on. Dundee is fast as a streak, tough as a walrus, aggressive, and an all-around sound customer. He hasn't been a champion, but he has a very peculiarly his own, and somewhat quite puzzling to an opponent. Welsh was matched with him just before he went to England to fight Ritchie for the title, but has dodged him persistently ever since. Dundee and Welsh fought once in New Orleans, and Dundee won. Freddy never will forget that very interesting evening.

JOHN KILBANE has been "in bad" all over the country for a year or so. It hasn't been because the feather champion lacks

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Incomplete figures show that the receipts were something more than \$30,000, which is ample to cover the expenses, and that there were about 8,000 persons in attendance. Welsh will leave for California to-day, but White will spend some time in this city before returning to Chicago.

Dissatisfaction over the decision of Referee Roche in favor of Welsh had not diminished over night, and though some of the excitement had been calmed, fears were generally expressed among the members of the glove fraternity who remained in Colorado Springs that a reaction against the game here is very possible.

Welsh and Pollok had little to say to-day, after they had emphatically upheld Roche's decision. Roche, however, seized several opportunities to defend his verdict.

The average fight fan sat on the balcony veranda of the Antlers Hotel to-day, twirled his cane and declared: "Never again!"

The universal opinion is that for a championship affair, yesterday's battle was a poor exhibition of fighting ability by either principal. It is generally agreed that Freddie Welsh is a punchless champion, but it is also agreed that White is a shameless contender.

Opinions of the fight and the decision by those directly concerned are as follows:

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PUTTING 'EM OVER With 'Bugs' Easer

Real good heavy weight fighters are just as scarce as lobster salad in the army.

Police system is very poor in the world's eyes. They pay an ump 1,000 million dollars to watch a foul line that only cost a thick jiffy in paint.

News that Romanians has popped into the big war last half as terrible as the gossip that Sam Langford is going to fight a total stranger in Chili.

New 1916 football rules don't say a thing about who gets the eyes and ears after the game is over.

For thirty long years Cincinnati fans have been looking for claims in their baseball claim chowder.

Now that the big fight has been postponed some French Mitts will assist back to the table and trade with some.

MORAN WILL NEVER HAVE TO PAY EXCESS BAGGAGE ON HIS KNOWLEDGE OF TRAINING.

Refugee look at it as no world series to possess without Bill Carrigan's signature on the ticket.

WRESTLING IS RIGHT DOWN TO ITS WHITE CHIPS.

Charley White's unprompted actions in Labor Day's fight shows that you can't rehearse those things too carefully.

These Hyams are always acting as if they were wearing Rubber Halls or something.

Philadelphia will never forgive Otto Knabe for jumping to Baltimore. Neither will Baltimore.

They are going to pay Sam Langford 6,000 little green friends for busting somebody on the nose in Chili. You can't blame a Pullman porter for acting so up-stagish.

Whitcomb Robinson may pull through, but he will have to play "ten pins" on his way.

ATHLETIC FANS CAN'T CLAIM THE REFERENCE TO ANY FAIR HOPES ANYWAY.

WORLD NEVER LIKES TO RUN FOR THEM MONEY.

Two pennants for Boston would be just about as popular in Brooklyn as something with legs in a slab of huckleberry pie.

Between Thomas Edison and Ty Cobb, what chance has an ordinary guy to think of anything new?

At first base Hal Chase is a big league first baseman. At second base Hal is merely a second baseman in the big league.

Starting at the bottom of the ladder is pretty tough if there ain't any ladder.

BROOKLYN GETTING READY TO THROW TWO SIXES.

The Philadelphia newspaper that sends fifty subscribers to the world series is looking very reproachfully at Connie Mack.

RACE IN THE NATIONAL LEAGUE IS CLOSER THAN A HOT DOG TO A HOT DOG.

Time is a great healer. Pittsburgh fans have forgotten that Marty O'Toole ever wore a fire's uniform.

One way to solve the middleweight situation is to give the title to any man who can catch two in his mouth.

Answers to Queries.

Goop—Fulton won the ban-tawweight championship from Gunboat McCoy.

And Al Thomas will look up with Johnny Harris. Several preliminaries will also be featured.

Johnny Kilbane's next bout will probably be fought in this city as it is a matter of fact that the fight will be held at the Casino. A. C. that will be any man as he is his opponent. Kilbane was carried to box at the Empire last month. He was carried to box at the Empire last month. He was carried to box at the Empire last month. He was carried to box at the Empire last month.

Fall Opening

The largest, most varied and attractive assortment of woollens and worsteds ever shown.

Our buyers have outdone themselves and have selected from the offerings of foreign and domestic mills a line of fabrics from which the most careful and fastidious buyer can select exactly what he desires.

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MAJOR LEAGUE RESULTS AND STANDING

National League				American League			
Club	W.	L.	P.	Club	W.	L.	P.
Boston	71	48	397	Pittsburgh	68	57	464
Brooklyn	72	49	396	Chicago	68	70	458
Philadelphia	72	49	396	St. Louis	68	73	454
N. York	68	53	393	Chicago	68	73	454

Results of Games Yesterday			
Boston, 8; New York, 3 (A. M.)	Boston, 1; New York, 3 (P. M.)	Philadelphia, 1; St. Louis, 1 (A. M.)	Philadelphia, 1; St. Louis, 1 (P. M.)
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Chicago, 1; Cincinnati, 1 (A. M.)	Chicago, 1; Cincinnati, 1 (P. M.)	Chicago, 1; Cincinnati, 1 (A. M.)	Chicago, 1; Cincinnati, 1 (P. M.)

Games To-Day			
Brooklyn at New York	Philadelphia at Boston (2 games)	Chicago at Chicago	St. Louis at Pittsburgh
St. Louis at Philadelphia	Boston at Washington	Boston at Philadelphia	

FALL MEETING AT BEAUTIFUL BELMONT PARK

TO-MORROW'S ATTRACTIONS
The Champagne Stakes
WITH A 2-MILE STEEPCLIMB
AND 4-OTHER GOOD CONTESTS
FIRST RACE AT 2:30 P. M.
Second Race Trial Heat, 3:00 P. M.
Third Race Trial Heat, 3:30 P. M.
Fourth Race Trial Heat, 4:00 P. M.
Fifth Race Trial Heat, 4:30 P. M.
Sixth Race Trial Heat, 5:00 P. M.
Seventh Race Trial Heat, 5:30 P. M.
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Ninth Race Trial Heat, 6:30 P. M.
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Twelfth Race Trial Heat, 8:00 P. M.
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